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TRANSMITTAL FOR A NEWLY EXECUTED ORIGINAL APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)

This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) for:

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For: METHOD OF SEARCHING FOR A BOUNDARY POSITION BETWEEN A RECORDED REGION AND AN UNRECORDED REGION OF A RECORDING DISC, AND INFORMATION RECORDING APPARATUS

- 3. Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
 - [] Enclosed and is executed by all inventors

1. This is a new [X] Utility []Design [] Plant patent application.

[X] Not Enclosed.
This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.53(f).
Applicant(s) await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration and paying the filing fees.

PETITION TO ACCEPT PHOTOGRAPH(S) AS DRAWING(S)

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4.	Language						
	[X] []	English Non-English This application is being filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.52(d) and §608.01 of the MPEP. Applicant(s) await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the verified English translation and the processing fee.					
5.	Assignment						
	[]	An assignment of the invention to and a PTO Form-1595, Recordation Form Cover Sheet, are enclosed.					
	[X]	An assign	ment will be filed	d at a later date.			
6.	Priority - foreign applications under 35 U.S.C. §119(a)-(d) or §365(b) or PCT international applications under 35 U.S.C. §365(a) designating at least one country other than the U.S.						
	[X] Priority of the following foreign application is claimed:						
	Country		Application No.		Filed		
	Japan		200	1-5186	January 12, 2001		
7.	Certified copy: [] is attached. [X] will follow. 7. Priority based on provisional application(s) - 35 U.S.C. §119(e)						
	[] Priority of the following provisional application(s) is claimed:						
	Application No.			ppiication(s) is c	Filed		
A. Relate Back - 35 U.S.C. §119(e) [] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: "This application claims priority of copending provisional application(s) No filed on"							

8. Small entity status

[] A statement claiming small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.27 is asserted for the present application.

9. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. §1.16)

	Number Filed	Number Extra	at Rate of	Basic Fee Utility \$740.00 Design \$330.00	
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(c))	12 - 20 =		18.00	\$0.00	
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(b))	2 - 3 =		84.00	\$0.00	
Multiple dependent claim	n(s), if any (37 C.F.R	l. §1.16(d))	280.00	280.00	
			SUB-TOTAL =	\$1020.00	
Reduction by 1/2 for filing by a small entity					
	\$1020.00				

10. Fee Payment

[X] Not Enclosed. NO FEE IS BEING PAID BY CHECK OR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT AT THIS TIME.

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[]	Enclosed.	
	A check in the amount of \$	representing the basic filing fee of
	\$740.00 and an assignment re	ecording fee of \$40.00 is enclosed.

11. **Except** for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. §1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3).

12. Additional papers enclosed:

Preliminary A	Amendment
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- [] Information Disclosure Statement
- Form PTO-1449, ____ document included
- [] Declaration of Biological Deposit
- Submission of "Sequence Listing", computer readable copy and/or amendment pertaining thereto for biotechnology invention containing nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence.

Please accord this application an application number and filing date.

Respectfully submitted,

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